(b) if so, the nature of restriction in this regard;

(c) whether Government are aware that there is no reservation in services for OBC people in Tripura as such a limit of percentage has already attained there; and

(d) the steps Government would like to take in order to introduce reservation for OBCs in Tripura?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Supreme Court in its judgment delivered on 16-11-1992 in the case of Indira Sawhney and Others *Vs* Union of India and Others held that reservation under Article 15(4) and 16(4) of the Constitution should not exceed 50%.

(c) Yes Sir. There is no reservation for OBCs in the services under the State Government of Tripura.

(d) The Government of India has already fixed 27% reservation for OBCs in Civil Posts and Services under the Central Government for those Castes/communities which have been included in the Central List of OBCs for all the States including Tripura. However, the subject matter of reservation in State Services is the concern of respective State Governments.

Implementation of welfare schemes in Assam

118. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) The details of the different schemes formulated and implemented in the State of Assam during the last two years; and

(b) the details of the financial assistance allocated, released and utilized for the said purpose in the State during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Ministry formulates different welfare schemes for implementation throughout the country and not for a particular State. Also, no allocation is

made State-wise under these schemes. The allocation depends upon the proposals received from the State Governments, and the budget availability. Amount of assistance released under different welfare schemes in the State of Assam in the last two years is given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). Funds are released under these schemes only after utilization certificates are received from State Government and Voluntary Organizations in respect of releases made earlier for which these are due.

Statement

Release of funds to various schemes in the State of Assam

(Rs. in lakh)

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	Release 2000-01	2001-02
	Scheduled Caste Development		
1.	Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan for SCs	1810.69	127.14
2.	Post Matric Scholarship to the students belonging to Scheduled Castes	233.75	272.31
3.	National Scheme for Liberation & Rehabilitation of scavengers	372.00	0.00
4.	Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1995 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989	2.00	0.00
5.	Assistance to VOs for Scheduled Castes	55.47	40.83
	Other Backward Classes		
6.	Pre-Matric Scholarship for Other Backward Classes	62.50	0.00
7.	Post-Matric Scholarships including Higher Scholarship for Ph.D and higher level for Other Backward Classes	94.47	32.77
8.	Assistance to VOs for Other Backward Classes	7.04	9.21
9.	Pre-Examination Coaching for OBCs	0.00	1.50
	Minorities		
10.	Pre-Examination Coaching for Weaker Sections based on economic criteria	4.68	13.32

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	2000-01	2001-02
	Welfare of the Persons with Disabilities		
11.	Scheme to promote voluntary action for persons with disabilities	40.10	51.40
12.	Scheme of assistance to disabled persons for purchase/ fitting of aids and appliances	—	—
13.	National Programme for Rehabilitation of persons with Disabilities	260.30	203.90
	Social Defence		
14.	Scheme for Prohibition & Substance (Drug) Abuse Prevention	45.24	24.13
15.	Scheme for Welfare of Street Children	15.87	12.26
16.	Integrated Programme of Old Age	20.54	22.63
17.	Construction of Old Age Homes	22.31	25.74
18.	Assistance to Homes for Infant and Young Children for promoting In-country Adoption	0.00	3.23

Implementation of Welfare Schemes by States

119. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the various schemes for the welfare and development of SCs and STs and minorities;

(b) the funds provided by his Ministry to different States to implement the various schemes;

(c) whether the State Governments have implemented the Schemes for which the funds were provided to them during the last five years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) to (e) The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Ministry of Tribal Affairs implement various welfare schemes for development of Scheduled